# **Program Summary Sheet**

# 3d Army Contracting Command/PARC

PEO/DSA: ARCENT
New Start Date: Dec 02
Fiscal Year: 03

#### Command Selection Criteria

# 1. Description of Program/Command:

Multiple hatted. (1) Commander: Provides contracting and acquisition management support for all army forces in CENTCOM during peacetime and wartime. (2) Principal Assistant Responsible for Contracting (PARC) and principal business advisor to the Commander and Head of Contracting Activity (HCA), Third US Army/ARCENT. (3) When directed by CENTOM, serves as the Executive Agent for all Theater commercial contracting, in a Coalition and Joint environment, during peacetime or wartime. (4) Director of Contracting (DOC) for the 377th TSC. NOTE: This new start action is a request for a CDPL position. No additional personnel are required. The positions authorized and personnel already exist. Reorganization of operations, encompassing the forward DOCs, can be internally accomplished.

# 2. Description of PMs/Commanders Responsibilities:

Responsible for C2/oversight for all army procurement activities assigned/attached to 3d Army, during normal operations, contingencies, or wartime. The command consist of three geographically dispersed, forward deployed (SWA) operations and one CONUS based RC operation. The HQs is located at Ft. McPherson, GA. Total number of personnel, military/civilian, is 74. Executes an annual program of over 4,000 actions, valued at \$180M, covering a full range from simplified to complex multi–million dollar CPAF/CPFF contracts. Administers over 200 actions totaling \$80M. When CENTCOM directed, serves as the nucleus C2 element for Theater Contracting Operations, in a coalition/joint environment, responsible for all contracting. As PARC, provides technical guidance/contractual oversight to the CDR and HCA, 3d Army. As Executive Agent, provides technical guidance/contractual oversight to the CINC J4, CENTCOM. As the DOC, provides technical guidance to the TSC CDR and executes the operational contracting mission.

#### 3. Desirable Characteristics:

# a. Military Education:

MEL 1 DWIA Level III Certified (Contracting)

#### **b.** Civilian Education:

Masters in business related field.

## c. Experience:

Previous successful 05 procurement command.

d. Security Clearance: SECRET

e. Other:

Previous installation and contingency contracting experience.

#### 4. Administrative Data:

a. Duty Station

City: Ft. McPherson State: GA

b. UIC: WATGAA

c. Report Date: Month: Dec Year: 02

#### **Other Significant Command Information**

#### **Interest:**

The South West Asia (SWA) Area of Responsibility (AOR) is a strategic vital interest to the USA. Consequently, the oversight from Congress and all levels of DoD are continuously present.

### b. Significant Impact on Military Posture and Readiness:

Single source for all army forces contingency contracting operational support to the forwarded deployed SWA warfighters and all forces when ARCENT is designated as the Coalition/Joint Land Forces Component Command (CJFLC). Commander is directly responsible for: (1)Development of joint operational plans to support the SWA contingency acquisition mission. (2)Ensure a seamless acquisition operational transition occurs from peacetime to wartime. (3)When directed as Executive Agent, serve as the single POC for all coalition/joint acquisition issues within specified AOR. (4) Provide the nucleus operational C2, acquisition oversight and guidance for all forces under the Executive Agent concept. (5) Ensure all US Forces receive optimal acquisition support during conflict.

# c. Extensive Interdepartmental, National, or International Coordination:

Commander/PARC is responsible for acquisition coordination with the various host country governments and US Embassies within the SWA AOR. Additionally, acquisition coordination with the various coalition partners is essential and solidifies our unity of effort during conflict.

# d. Unusual Organizational Complexity, Technological Advancement or Interface Control:

By virtue of the diversity and complexity of issues, within SWA, among the host nations, coalition partners and military services, the Commander/PARC serves as the vital link for acquisition interface. This also includes the link between the CONUS based Acquisition Agencies and the Combatant Command.

#### e. Unusual Difficulties Requiring Centralized Management:

Although the various countries in SWA are similar in religious beliefs, they are different in laws, customs and various business practices. This requires a paradigm shift in thinking for US personnel conducting business in SWA. Centralized management of the acquisition effort allows the Commander/PARC to capitalize on scarce resources and more effectively conduct business with the various countries.